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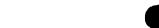
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1.	A Notice of Appeal was filed on Appellant's 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CFF			
2.🛛	The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered be	ecause:		
(a	) $oxtimes$ they raise new issues that would require further	er consideration and/or search (	see NOTE below);	
(b	) $\square$ they raise the issue of new matter (see Note b	elow);		
(c	<ul> <li>they are not deemed to place the application in issues for appeal; and/or</li> </ul>	n better form for appeal by mate	rially reducing or simplifying	the
(d	)   they present additional claims without canceli	ng a corresponding number of f	inally rejected claims.	
	NOTE: See Continuation Sheet.			
3.	Applicant's reply has overcome the following reject	ion(s):		
4.	Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would canceling the non-allowable claim(s).	be allowable if submitted in a se	eparate, timely filed amendme	ent
5.	The a) ☐ affidavit, b) ☐ exhibit, or c) ☐ request for application in condition for allowance because:		idered but does NOT place th	ne
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7.	For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendment explanation of how the new or amended claims we			4 1
	The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:			
	Claim(s) allowed:			AVAILABLE
	Claim(s) objected to:	•		
	Claim(s) rejected: <u>1-17</u> .			
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8.	The proposed drawing correction filed on is	a) approved or b) disapp	roved by the Examiner.	
9.	Note the attached Information Disclosure Statemer	nt(s)( PTO-1449) Paper No(s)	<u>.</u> .	
10.	Other:		June	
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Continuation of 2. NOTE: New issues are raised by the amendment to claims 1 and 5 i.e. in claim 1, lines 12-14 and in claim 5, line 7 which would require further consideration and/or search .

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